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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
HIROYUKI OCHIAI, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: 10/560,131 :  
FILED: DECEMBER 9, 2005 :  
FOR: ROTATING MEMBER, HOUSING, :  
BEARING, GEARBOX, ROATING :  
MACHINE, SHAFT STRUCTURE, :  
AND SURFACE TREATMENT :  
METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.